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SENATE BILL

No. 1204

Introduced by Senators Lara and Pavley

February 20, 2014

An act to add Section 39719 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1204, as amended, Lara. California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program.

Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, commonly known as cap and trade revenues, to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, and to be used, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for specified purposes.

This bill would create the California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program, to be funded from cap and trade revenues, to fund zero- and near-zero emission truck, bus, and off-road vehicle and equipment technologies and related projects, as specified, with priority to be given to certain projects, including projects that benefit disadvantaged communities. The program would be administered by the state board, in conjunction with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission. The bill would require the state board, in consultation with the commission, to create

a multiyear framework and plan, and to adopt guidelines for implementation of the program.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.

State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 39719 is added to the Health and Safety
2 Code, to read:

3 39719. (a) The California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road
4 Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program is hereby created,
5 to be administered by the state board in conjunction with the State
6 Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.
7 The program, from moneys appropriated from the fund for purposes
8 of the program, shall fund development, demonstration,
9 precommercial pilot, and early commercial deployment of zero-
10 and near-zero emission truck, bus, and off-road vehicle and
11 equipment technologies. Priority shall be given to projects located
12 in disadvantaged communities pursuant to the requirements of
13 Sections 39711 and 39713.

14 (b) Projects funded by the program shall be limited to the
15 following:

16 (1) Market development, demonstration, precommercial pilots,
17 and early commercial deployments of zero- and near-zero *emission*
18 medium- and heavy-duty truck technology, including projects that
19 help to facilitate clean goods-movement corridors.

20 (2) Zero- and near-zero emission bus technology development,
21 demonstration, precommercial pilots, and early commercial
22 deployments, including pilots of multiple vehicles at one site or
23 region.

24 (3) Zero- and near-zero emission off-road vehicle and equipment
25 technology development, demonstration, precommercial pilots,
26 and early commercial deployments, including vehicles and
27 equipment in the port, agriculture, marine, construction, and rail
28 sectors.

29 (4) Purchase incentives, including point-of-sale, for
30 commercially available zero- and near-zero *emission* truck, bus,
31 and off-road vehicle and equipment technologies and fueling
32 infrastructure to support early market deployments of new

1 technologies and to increase manufacturer volumes and accelerate
2 market acceptance.

3 (c) The state board, in consultation with the *State* Energy
4 Resources Conservation and Development Commission, shall
5 develop guidelines for the implementation of this section that are
6 consistent with the California Global Warming Solutions Act of
7 2006 (Division 25.5 (commencing with Section 38500)) and this
8 chapter.

9 (d) The guidelines adopted pursuant to subdivision (c) shall do
10 all of the following:

11 (1) Outline performance criteria and metrics for deployment
12 incentives. The goal shall be to design a simple and predictable
13 structure that provides incentives for truck, bus, and off-road
14 vehicle and equipment technologies that provide significant
15 greenhouse gas reduction and air quality benefits.

16 (2) Ensure that program investments are coordinated with
17 funding programs developed pursuant to Chapter 8.9 (commencing
18 with Section 44270) of Part 5.

19 (3) Promote projects that assist the state in reaching its climate
20 goals beyond 2020, consistent with Sections 38550 and 38551.

21 (4) Promote investments in medium- and heavy-duty trucking,
22 including, but not limited to, vocational trucks, short haul and long
23 haul trucks, buses, and off-road vehicles and equipment, including,
24 but not limited to, port equipment, agricultural equipment, marine
25 equipment, and rail equipment.

26 (5) Structure purchase incentives for eligible technologies to be
27 sufficient to increase sales of the cleanest vehicles in disadvantaged
28 communities.

29 (6) Allow for remanufactured and retrofitted vehicles to qualify
30 for purchase incentives if those vehicles meet warranty and
31 emissions requirements.

32 (7) Establish a competitive process for the allocation of funds
33 for projects funded pursuant to this program.

34 (8) Leverage, to the maximum extent feasible, federal or private
35 funding.

36 (9) Ensure that the results of emissions reductions or benefits
37 can be measured or quantified.

38 (10) Ensure that activities undertaken pursuant to this program
39 complement, and do not interfere with, efforts to achieve and

1 maintain federal and state ambient air quality standards and to
2 reduce toxic air contaminants.

3 (11) Establish sustainability goals to ensure that projects will
4 not adversely impact natural resources, especially with respect to
5 state and federal lands.

6 (e) Eligible projects to be funded by the program do not include
7 projects required to be undertaken pursuant to state or federal law,
8 district rules or regulations, memoranda of understanding with a
9 governmental entity, or other legally binding agreements. The state
10 board may, however, fund studies, technology development, and
11 demonstration projects focused on improving performance and
12 financial payback, multivehicle and *early* commercial scale
13 deployments, and deployment of early commercially available
14 advanced vehicles and equipment.

15 (f) In evaluating potential projects to be funded pursuant to this
16 section, the state board shall give priority to projects that
17 demonstrate one or more of the following characteristics:

18 (1) Benefit to disadvantaged communities pursuant to Sections
19 39711 and 39713.

20 (2) The ability to leverage additional public and private funding.

21 (3) The potential for cobenefits or multiple-benefit attributes.

22 (4) The potential for the project to be replicated.

23 (5) Regional benefit, with focus on collaboration between
24 multiple entities.

25 (6) Support for technologies with broad market and emission
26 reduction potential.

27 (7) Support for projects addressing technology and market
28 barriers not addressed by other programs.

29 (8) Support for enabling technologies that benefit multiple
30 technology pathways.

31 (g) To assist in the implementation of this section, the state
32 board, in consultation with the *State* Energy Resources
33 Conservation and Development Commission, shall create a
34 multiyear framework and plan. The framework and plan shall be
35 developed with public input and may utilize existing investment
36 plan processes and workshops as well as existing state and
37 third-party research and technology roadmaps. The framework
38 and plan shall do all of the following:

39 (1) Articulate an overarching vision for technology development,
40 demonstration, precommercial pilot, and early commercial

1 deployments, with a focus on moving technologies through the
2 commercialization process.

3 (2) Outline technology categories and performance criteria for
4 technologies and applications that may be considered for funding
5 under the program. This shall include technologies for medium-
6 and heavy-duty trucking, including, but not limited to, vocational
7 trucks, short haul and long haul trucks, buses, and off-road vehicles
8 and equipment, including, but not limited to, port equipment,
9 agricultural equipment, construction equipment, marine equipment,
10 and rail equipment.

11 (3) Describe the roles of the relevant agencies and the process
12 for coordination.

13 (h) For the purpose of this section, “zero- and near-zero
14 emission” means vehicles, fuels, and related technologies that
15 reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality when
16 compared with conventional or fully commercialized alternatives,
17 as defined by the state board in consultation with the *State Energy*
18 *Resources Conservation and Development Commission*. “Zero-
19 and near-zero emission” may include, but is not limited to, zero
20 emission technology, enabling technologies that provide a pathway
21 to emission reductions, advanced or alternative fuel engines for
22 long haul trucks, and hybrid or alternative fuel technologies for
23 trucks and off-road equipment.